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Hi Mike,

This is in response to NTSB Request 17-221.

The AS350B2 Flight Manual presents the following:

4.2.2 INTERIOR CHECK

- Cabin..... Clean.
- Fire extinguisher Secured - Check.
- Fuses or breakers All set.
- Loads and objects carried Stowed and secured.
- Front doors jettison system Check - Plastic guard condition.

Referring to Section 6, specifically Figure 6-3 “Longitudinal location of Loads”, the area in front of the yaw pedals is not presented with a weight limit nor CG location. Additionally, there are no approved procedures to secure the load, or to remove the pedals to prevent interference and jamming. This is not intended to be a storage area (no means to secure the load). Our position is the same as in the other queries from NTSB regarding cabin cargo - operators should not be securing cargo in areas unless doing so has been FAA approved (basic design, design change, field approval, etc.).

Regards,

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